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**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Tsutomu NAKAMURA entitled  
"PNEUMATIC TIRE AND METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME"  
Assignee: BRIDGESTONE CORPORATION  
Our Reference: Q65003

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto are the application papers identified above comprising twelve (12) sheets of the specification, including seven (7) claims and an Abstract of the Disclosure, and seven (7) sheets of drawings. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment documents will be submitted at a later date.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>7</u>	-	20	=		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
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A check for the statutory filing fee of \$710.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge any difference or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 that may be required during the entire pendency of the application to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is appended hereto.

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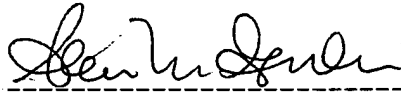
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Priority is claimed from August 23, 2000, based on Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-251,962. The priority document will be submitted at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,

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